

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, December 8, 1746.

Since our last arrived a Holland Mail.

From the London Gazette, Dec. 2.

Leghorne, Nov. 11. N. S.

LETTERS from Genoa of the 5th advise, that the Republick had paid Five Millions One Hundred Thousand Florins, in part of the Nine Millions which were stipulated by the Convention with the Empress: That the Republick is greatly embarrassed to raise the Sums wanted to compleat the Payment of the whole which is warmly solicited, the Commissary General Count Coeck having threatened the City with Military Execution, in case the whole was not paid soon; and that the Imperial Commissaries had taken Possession of two Magazines in the City full of Corn and Oats, which they had discovered to belong to the Enemy: The same Letters mention, that the Gunners belonging to the Austrian Train of Artillery were marched towards Villa Franca. Upon the 3d instant about 2000 Slavonians arrived from Lombardy in the Polcevera, and the Day after arrived a large Corps of Talpaches, who are to continue their Route through the Western Riviera, to penetrate into Provence. It has been agreed upon between the Austrian Generals and the Republick, to furnish Winter Quarters for nine Regiments for six Months at 20,000 Florins per Month, the Expences of which are to be defrayed in the following Manner, viz. three Regiments to be quartered in the Suburbs, to be paid by the Citizens; three Regiments to be quartered upon the Inhabitants, to be paid by the Communities, from the Bagnio to Sargana; the other 3 Regiments to be quartered and paid by the Inhabitants of S. Pierre d'Arena to Albizzolla. Letters from Capt. Hughes, dated 27th past, O. S. advise the Surrender of the Castle of Villa Franca, and that he was preparing to sail from Vado Bay, to proceed thither with the Transports of Provisions, Cannon, &c.

Florence, Nov. 15. The Court of Naples being alarmed with the Apprehension of an Invasion on the Part of the Austrians, the utmost Diligence is used to raise Troops, and to put their Places in a Posture of Defence. General Braitwitz, who was for some Years in the Service of the Emperor as Great Duke, has now entered into that of the King of Naples, and is much consulted. It is currently reported here, that the Neapolitan Cavalry, with a Body of Spanish Troops, are to embark at Antibes for Naples.

Hague, Dec. 9. The Letters from Italy bring Advice, that the Garrison which the Spaniards had left in Tortona upon their Retreat from Placentia, has capitulated; as also the Castle of Savona that has been blocked up, or besieged for some time by the King of Sardinia's Troops. The same Letters prepare us for the News of the Passage

of the Var, every thing having been ready for attempting it on the 24th past, N. S.

By the King,
A PROCLAMATION
For a General Fast.

GEORGE R.

WE taking into our serious Consideration the just and necessary Wars, in which we are engaged with the Crown of Spain and the French King, and putting our Trust in Almighty God, that he will vouchsafe a special Blessing on our Arms, both by Sea and Land, have resolved, and do, by and with the Advice of our Privy-Council, hereby command, that a publick Fast and Humiliation be observed throughout that Part of our Kingdom of Great-Britain called Scotland, on Wednesday the Seventh Day of January next; that so both we and our People may humble ourselves before Almighty God, in order to obtain Pardon of our Sins; and may in the most devout and solemn Manner send our Prayers and Supplications to the divine Majesty, for averting those heavy Judgments, which our manifold Sins and Provocations have most justly deserved, and imploring his Blessing and Assistance on our Arms, and for restoring and perpetuating Peace, Safety and Prosperity to us and our Kingdoms; and we do strictly charge and command that the said Fast be reverently and devoutly observed by all our loving Subjects in Scotland, as they tender the Favour of Almighty God, and would avoid his Wrath and Indignation, and upon Pain of such Punishment as we may justly inflict on all such as contemn and neglect the Performance of so religious and necessary a Duty. Our Will is therefore, and we charge, that incontinent this our Proclamation seen, ye pass to the Market Cross of Edinburgh, and all other Places needful, and there in our Name and Authority, make Publication hereof, that none pretend Ignorance: And our Will and Pleasure is, that our Solicitor do cause printed Copies hereof to be sent to the Sheriffs of the several Shires, Stewarts of Stewartsies, and Bailiffs of Regalities, and their Clerks, whom we ordain to see the same published; and we appoint them to send Doubles hereof to the several Paroch Kirks within their Bounds, that upon the Lord's-Day, immediately preceding the Day abovementioned, the same may be published and read from the Pulpits, immediately after Divine Service.

Given at our Court at St. James's, the Seventeenth Day of November, 1746, and in the Twentieth Year of our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

From Wye's Letter, London, Dec. 2.

Yesterday the Commons agreed to the Report of the



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Resolution of Friday last, viz. That 40,000 Men be employed for Sea-service for the Year 1747; That a Sum not exceeding 4 l. per Man per Month, be allowed for maintaining the 40,000 Men for 12 Months, including the Ordnance for Sea-service.—Resolved to go on Wednesday next into a Committee, to consider of Ways and Means for granting the Supply to his Majesty.

A Peace with Spain still gains Ground, and as there is now a perfect Harmony and Understanding between the Courts of Berlin and our Allies; and that as the Dyet of Franconia have actually taken a Resolution in Consequence of the Empress Queen's Memorial, (if the Dutch will favour us with their Company) a well grounded and solid Peace must unavoidably be the Result.

Advice came this Day, that the Rowley Frigate from London for Gibraltar and Portmahon, with Soldiers Cloathing for the Garrisons of these Places, was yesterday forced on Shore near Portsmouth and beat to Pieces, and 40 Soldiers were drowned.

By the Holland Mail we have a Confirmation of the Austrian and Piedmontese Troops having passed the Var the 24th of last Month, and 'tis added, that they ruined the Countries thro' which they passed.

Lottery Tickets were this Day 14 l. 14 s. one of the 5000 Prizes drawn last Saturday is sent to Ireland.—This Morning No. 5526 was drawn a Prize of 500 l.

From the General Evening Post, Dec. 2.

L O N D O N, Dec. 2.

We hear a Treaty is on Foot with the Court of Berlin, for taking a Body of the Elector of Cologne's Troops into British Pay, to act with the Allies in Flanders the approaching Spring; and 'tis likewise said, we are negotiating for Troops with some other Princes of the Empire, by which Means will be formed the considerable Augmentation, which it has been resolved to make in that Army.

According to the last Letters from the Hague, the Earl of Sandwich was to set out again as Yesterday for Breda, in order to come to some Determination with regard to the Assembly there, either by opening the Conferences immediately, or entirely laying aside all Thoughts thereof.

From the London Evening Post, Dec. 2.

Brussels, Dec. 1 The Austrian Hussars, who are quartered about Tirlemont and St. Tron, continue their Excursions as far as Louvain, killing some, committing great Disorders, pillaging all Passengers they meet with, and a great Number of wounded have lately been carried to Louvain.

Paris, Dec. 2 The Court has granted Liberty to the Countess of Morton to see the Earl her Husband in the Bastille, and has also permitted him to have his Valet de Chambre with him.

Utrecht, Dec. 4. Private Letters from Madrid of the 14th of November say, That every Disposition is making there, as if War was only just declared; and nothing is talked of but the Transportation of Money, Ammunition and Artillery to Barcelona, which are to be ready by the Month of January next, in order for Embarkation on the first Notice. A Royal Ordonnance has likewise been published there, by Virtue of which every Parish throughout the whole Extent of the Kingdom, is to fur-

nish a Man for the Army, without Exception or Distinction. This Ordonnance has been occasioned by the Difficulties the Court has met with in raising Recruits, and the Deficiencies in the Militia. The Number of Parishes in the Kingdom of Spain, according to these Letters, being 75,000, the same Number of Men must consequently be raised, if the Subjects of that Kingdom do not find Means to evade this Demand, as they have done several others.

L O N D O N, Dec. 2.

By the Irish Mails arrived this Morning, we have Advice of the Death of Henry Agar, Esq; Member of Parliament for the Borough of Gowran, and Frederick Cary Hamilton, Esq; Member for the City of Londonderry, both very much lamented by their Country.

Last Sunday being St. Andrew's Day, the Tutelar Saint of Scotland, the same was observed at Court as a high Festival, his Majesty and the Royal Family wore Crosses in Honour of the Day, and the Knights Companions of the several Orders appeared in their Collars. At Noon his Majesty, their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke of Cumberland, and Princess Amelia, preceded by the Pursuivants and Beralds at Arms, went to the Chapel Royal, and heard a Sermon preached by the Rev. Dr. Thomas.

Yesterday Morning, at Four, his Royal Highness the Duke set out for Harwich, in order to embark there on board the Fubbs Yacht, for Holland. The following is a List of the Persons who accompany his Royal Highness thither, viz. Lord Ancrum, Colonel Finwilliams, Colonel Napier, Colonel Yorke, Captain Wallop, Captain Hodgson and Sir Everard Fawlkner, together with two Pages, Mr. Andrews, his Surgeon, and three Footmen.

We hear the Right Hon. the Earl of Lincoln is to be made Cofferer to his Majesty.

From the St. James's Evening Post, Dec. 2.

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It is strongly reported, that his Royal Highness will make a Tour to the Court of Berlin, to visit the King of Prussia, before his Return to England.

It is said, if his Royal Highness succeeds with the States, ten Millions will be granted for the Service of the current Year; and towards raising it, there will be another Lottery, a further Duty upon Sugar, and a Duty laid upon such Coal as is not Sea Coal.

We hear that the Earls of Traquair and Kelly, and Simon Fraser, Lord Lovat, will be speedily impeached of High Treason; but it is thought their Trials will not come on till after the Christmas Holidays are over.

The five Rebels that were executed on Friday last at Kennington-Common, are ordered to be buried; but the Heads of Sir John Wedderburn, Bart. and John Hamilton, are ordered to remain in the New Goal till further Orders.

Bank Stock no Price. India Stock no Price. South Sea Stock 103.

E D I N B U R G H, December 8.

Extract of a Letter from North-Shields, Dec. 1.

We left Leith the 24th ult. on board the Culloden, Patrick Forsyth Master, but were obliged to put into

Ely Harbour next Morning, where we remained till the 28th, when we set Sail again, and that Night came to anchor in Berwick Bay. Early next Morning we weighed, and about Noon passed the Fairn Islands, (about five Leagues South of Berwick) when we perceived a Sail about the like Distance to Leeward of us, but not minding her, continued our Course till about 3 o'clock, when we espied her, five Leagues distant, making seemingly towards us. Then we began to entertain some jealousies, and spoke to the Captain to avoid her if possible: But as the Captain was not equally apprehensive, the Privateer came up with us the 29th at 7 o'clock at Night, when we had got past Cocker Island, about six Leagues from this Place, and firing five or six Shot at our Ship, boarded her with 20 Men, and ransacked every thing, ordering our Captain with some others on board the Privateer, called Louis Quinzime of Calais, Capt. Anthony Lammie Master. She mounted 6 Four-pounders and 10 Swivels, and had about 60 Men. She had been out 26 Days, and had taken two or three Scots Ships, one of them was bound from Aberbrothock to Campvere, John Mitchel Master, whom I spoke with on board the Privateer.

Mean time the Captain was endeavouring to ransom the Ship, which he at last effected at 250l. Sterl. leaving his Mate for Security: After which we were set at Liberty, having been detained six Hours, and got safe here Yesterday. — To do the French Justice, they were merciful Enemies, and rather consoled than insulted us, by putting us in mind it was the Fortune of War, our Misfortune To-day, and perhaps theirs To-morrow. They took all the Cloaths from the Men Passengers, but nothing from the Women, neither did they abuse them in the least. They searched none of us except two or three, so that we have saved our Watches and the Money we had in our Pockets, having lost our Trunks and Cloaths.

Please communicate this to the Publick, that the Leith Ships in their Passage Southwards may not fall also into the Hands of this Privateer, who teers up the Frith about St. Abb's Head, and off the Fairn Islands.

In the Letter, which came to Town with Advice of the Kirkaldy Ship's being taken and burnt by a French Privateer, 'tis further added, that there are no less than seven on the Coast from Buchanness to Berwick.

On the 20th ult. died of three Days Illness, at Glenelg on the Continent, Sir Alexander Macdonald of Slate, Baronet.

On Friday last the Hon. George Drummond, Esq; the Lord Provost Elect, set out from this Place for London. And,

That Afternoon, we hear the few dissenting Burgeesses withdrew their Protest against the Election.

Last Night we have had a severe Storm of Wind and Rain; but we hear of no Damage sustained by the four Men of War, who are lying safely in Leith Road, nor by the Merchantmen.

Leith, Dec. 8. On Friday last arrived here, the Mercury from London, — having under Convoy the following Vessels for this Port, viz. the Britannia of Leith, Pollock, the Hope of do. Hay, the John of do. Smith, the Katharine of ditto, Lawson, all belonging to New Company; arrived likewise the Glasgow and Edinburgh Packet, Germont, the Duke of Cumberland, Falconer, the Edinburgh Merchant, Bowman; the William

and Mary of Borrowstones, Pollock. — All with Hops, Soap, Spirits, Porter, Cheates, Bale Goods, &c. Also the Anson of Kinghorn, Sibbald, from Rotterdam, with Lint and Lint-feed. A Gentleman Passenger on board of Mr. Thomson of Aberdeen, from London, now lying in Bruntisland informs, that Nicholson Fae belonging to that Place, was taken by a French Privateer, as also Reid of Inverness, near to St. Abb's Head Thursday last; and Accounts are come up from Montrose, that another Ship of Aberdeen has been driven into that Harbour by a French Privateer.

All the Ships came into the Harbour Yesterday, except the John of Leith, Smith, which is still below the Island of Inchkeith.

☉ This Day, the 7th Day of the Moon, it is high Water at Leith, Forenoon, at 7 o'clock, 30 M. Afternoon, at 7, 54 M. Tuesday, Forenoon, at 8, 18 M. Afternoon, at 8, 42 M. Wednesday, Forenoon, at 9, 6 M. Afternoon, at 9, 30 M.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Whereas Mr. MACGIBBON's new Collection of the best SCOTS TUNES, with Variations for a Violin or German Flute, with a Bass for a Harpsicord or Violoncello, will be published in a few Days; such as incline to subscribe for the same, may leave their Names at the Exchange or Laigh Coffee-house, where they will be called for and insert in the List of Subscribers to be prefixed to the Book. Price 5s. upon Delivery of a Copy.

|| The RICHARD and ELIZABETH of London, Robert Graham Master, now in Leith, sails for London directly with or without Convoy. Any who incline to send Goods or Passengers, may call at John Waugh Merchant in the Sheriff brae, Leith.

N. B. There is a Convoy to sail immediately.

To be SOLD upon Wednesday the 21st of January next, in the Laigh Coffee-house, at 3 o'clock Afternoon,

The Lands and barony of HUNDILSHOPE, lying in the Parish of Manner and Sheriffdom of Peebles, on the River Tweed, 18 Miles South from Edinburgh, holding Taxward of the Crown, paying yearly free Rent 111 l. 17s. 1d. Sterl. besides some superiorities, with a convenient House lately built, with good Office-houses and a Kitchen Garden. — There are several Thousands of thriving young Planting, and a little Bush of natural Elder, a good Part thereof being fit for cutting, and plenty of Peat and Turf very near the House. — Enquire for farther Particulars at William Lumisden Writer, at his House in the Head of Matilda's Wynd, Edinburgh, or at the Proprietor at his House of Halyards.

To be SOLD by publick voluntary Roup, on Thursday the 15th Day of January next, within the Laigh Coffee-house in Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 and 4 in the Afternoon,

The Lands and Estate of BABERTOWN and WHYTE-LAW, lying about three Miles to the West of Edinburgh, in the Shire thereof, and Parish of Currie, with above fifty-four Acres of the Muir of Currie, in three different Inclosures of Stone-dykes, now in arable Land and Grass, and a new Sit-house for the principal Tenant, lately built

upon Babertown, consisting of two Stories and Garrets, with convenient Office-houses thereto belonging, the House on Whytelaw wall in good Repair: Also the MANSION-HOUSE of Babertown, consisting of nine Fire-rooms and Garrets, with Closets to most of them, the House in good Repair, all the Windows fashed, besides Kitchen, Milk-house, Larder, two Cellars, all vaulted, with Stable, Bure, Hay-loft and Hen-house, in the two Pavilions lately built, and covered with blue Skailie. Dovecote, Gardner's House, &c. as also the Gardens, Yards and Inclosures contiguous to the said Mansion-house, consisting of above thirty one Acres. The free Rent of said Estate (after Deduction of Teind, Minister's Stipend and Schoolmaster's Salary) conform to Tacks subsisting, is 4703 l. 13 s. Scots. There is a good deal of Planting, and plenty of Free-stone Quarry, and it is thought there is Coal in the Ground. The whole pleasantly situated and well watered. One of the Tenants, who pays 1900 Merks besides Customs, possesses by Steelbow. The Lands hold Taxward of the Crown, and the valued Rent is 280 l. Scots. The Rental, Conditions of Roup, and Progress of Writs, to be seen in the Hands of Charles Inglis Depute-clerk to the Bills.

N. B. That if the Purchaser wants to have a Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament in the said Shire, the Seller will procure him, upon reasonable Terms, a Right to a SUPERIORITY of Lands in the Neighbourhood, which will make up the 400 l. of Valuation, and more, if the Purchaser pleases.

To be SOLD by voluntary Roup and Sale at St. John's Church, in the House of Ivie Hair Writer there, on Thursday the 25th of December inst.

The Lands of STRANGASSILS, holding of the Crown, and lying in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright, and paying of yearly free Rent 29 l. 12 s. 9 d. Sterling. At the same Time and Place is to be exposed to Sale the SUPERIORITY of the following Lands, lying in the said Stewartry, all holden by the Superior of the Crown, sciz. Of all and hail the Lands of Cleughs, Upper and Neiber, whereof the valued Rent is 116 l. Scots, and the Feu duty payable to the Superior, the Crown's Vassal, 8 l. Scots; the Lands of Whitepark, whereof the valued Rent is 77 l. Scots, and the Feu 8 l. Scots; and the Lands of Fuffock, holding Blanch, whereof the valued Rent is 35 l. 11 s. Scots. The Progress, with the Rental and Articles of Roup, to be seen in the Hands of James Garthshore Writer to the Signet, and Copies of the Rental and Articles of Roup at the Place of Sale.

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A new-built fashionable HOUSE,

standing by itself, with Chaise-house and Stable for four Horses, a Piece of Ground for a Garden, and with or without six Acres of good Grass Ground, inclosed and watered at the East-end of the Market-Town of Ormiston, in the Shire of Haddington, pleasantly situated in a beautiful Country, with planted Woods near it. The House has Rooms and Closets, with eighteen Chimneys.

Enquire at Archibald Tod Writer in Edinburgh, at Miln's Land near the Meal-marker, or at the George-Inn, Ormiston.

By the TRUSTEES for the Creditors of MERCHISTON, LETHEM and BLAIR,

THE Trustees having now ordered a Dividend of the Money lodged in the Bank of Scotland, the Creditors are to receive their Shares thereof at the Bank-Office immediately after the 15th current; and as the Money bears no Interest after that Day, they are desired in the mean time to prepare their Titles.

Such as cannot come to the Bank to receive their Shares, are to grant a Commission to some Person here to receive for them, of which Commission they will be furnished with a Form from James Halyburton Writer to the Signet upon Demand.

That every Creditor, upon receiving his Share, is by himself or his Commissioner to sign a Deed ratifying the Sales, &c. of which Deed there are several Copies wrote out upon stamp Paper, and to be lodged at the Bank ready for signing; and there is an exact Copy thereof in the Hands of the said James Halyburton, to be shown to the Creditors upon Demand.

That those who have already received their Shares of the Price of Merchiston from the Merchant-Company, and have delivered up their Papers, have nothing to do, but, by themselves or their Factors, to go to the Bank and receive their Shares of this Dividend, upon subscribing the Deeds above-mentioned. But such as are Assignees, Heirs or Executors since that Time, or have hitherto neglected to receive their Shares of the Price of Merchiston, or who are Creditors of Lethem and Blair, and have not Merchiston bound, must produce their Grounds of Debt, Diligences and Conveyances, and other Titles, and deliver up the same to the said James Halyburton.

That such of the Creditors as have not deponed on the Verity of their Debts, must depon before they can receive Payment of their Shares; and must deliver in their Affidavits to the said James Halyburton, which Affidavits may be taken before any of the Arbiters, or a Justice of the Peace.

And for preventing Confusion at the Bank, and Disappointment to the Creditors, they are desired to call for their Shares in the following alphabetical Order, viz. Those of the Creditors whose Surnames or Surname of the original Creditors from whom they have Right, begin with the Letters A and B, are to be paid on Tuesday the 16th current, C on the 17th, D and E on the 18th, F and G on the 19th, H on the 20th, I, K and L on the 22d, M on the 23d, N, O, P and R on the 24th, S and T on the 26th, and W, Y on the 27th, all at the Bank Hours, where Attendance will be given: And until the said ten Days are elapsed, there will be no Creditor paid but in the alphabetical Order above-mentioned; so that those who neglect to call on their proper Days, must forbear till the said ten Days are elapsed. And in the meantime all the Creditors may see the Scheme of Division in the Hands of the said James Halyburton at any time after the said 15th current.

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